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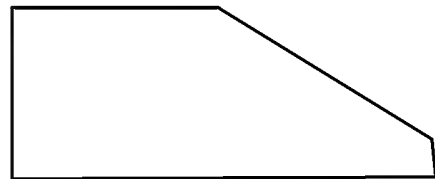
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[REDACTED] INDICATED ADDITIONAL DIFFICULTIES HAVE DEVELOPED WHICH WILL FURTHER DELAY SALVAGE OPERATION. THE SMALL BOAT WHICH IS USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TUGBOAT SALVAGE SHIP HAS BEEN DEMOLISHED IN EXERCISES RECENTLY CONDUCTED DOWN SOUTH. THE TUG WHICH IS PRESENTLY LOCATED AT [REDACTED] WILL REMAIN THERE UNTIL THE [REDACTED] OBTAINS A SMALL REPLACEMENT BOAT AVAILABLE WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS.

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[REDACTED] INDICATES BAD WEATHER FORECAST FOR TOMORROW, THEREFORE SALVAGE OPERATION WOULD BE AT STANDSTILL EVEN IF SMALL BOAT WAS AVAILABLE.

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2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE [REDACTED] CONCURS WITH REF.

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